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Sir:

Responsive to the first Office Action of 9 SEP. 2005,
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Submitted herewith is a Verified Translation of German Patent application 102 54 949.4, the priority document for the present application. Under 35 U.S.C. sections 119(b) and 365(c), the present application is therefore entitled to the German filing date, 26 NOV. 2002, as its date of invention. This means that HORNG U.S.P. 6,819,021 (US filing date: 31 MAR. 2003) and KULL U.S.P. 6,876,112 (US filing date 11 MAR. 2003) **are not effective references** against this application. The section 103 rejections which rely upon HORNG and KULL must therefore be withdrawn. Papst-Motoren GmbH & Co. KG (the German applicant) is the **same company** whose official name is **now** ebm-papst St. Georgen GmbH & Co. KG.

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PLEASE AMEND the abstract to read:

A method of rapidly assembling the rotor (22) of an external-rotor motor (20) onto a bearing support tube (70) and in a predetermined axial position relative to the latter, includes the steps of: beginning at a rotor cup portion (24) of the rotor (22), mounting on a rotor shaft (28): a compression spring (48), a retaining washer (50), and a plurality of rolling bearings (52, 60); then pressing into the bearing support tube (70), by means of a pressing-in force (K), the rotor (24), with the elements mounted thereon, the compression spring (48) being compressed so that the rotor cup presses the washer (50) into the tube (70); subsequently removing the pressing-in force (K), and displacing the rotor shaft (28) by means of the compression spring (48) within the bearings (52, 60) so that the rotor (24) assumes the desired predetermined axial position, relative to the tube (70).